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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This paper responds to the Election Requirement mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 14, 2006, in connection with the patent application identified above.

The Examiner has identified three patentably distinct species of the invention. In response, Applicant hereby elects the species of Figure 4. Claims readable on this species include claims 1-18 and 29 (i.e., these claims do not read exclusively on any other species).

Applicant respectfully requests that the application now proceed promptly to examination. Applicant believes that no additional fees are necessitated by the present Response. However, in the event that any additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to Deposit Account No. 07-1700.

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If the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with Applicant's attorney would expedite allowance of this application, the Examiner is cordially invited to call the undersigned attorney at (617) 570-1057.

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